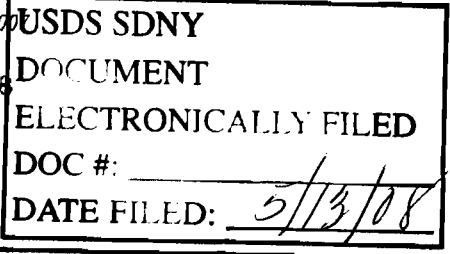


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Honorable John G. Koeltl  
United States District Judge  
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500 Pearl Street, Room 1030  
New York, New York 10007-1312

Re: Griselda Nunez o/b/o Yvette Castro v. Astrue  
07 Civ. 11075 (JGK)

Dear Judge Koeltl:

This Office represents the Commissioner of Social Security, defendant in this action. I write respectfully to request an extension of defendant's time to file an answer or move with respect to the complaint.

The answer was originally due February 11, 2008. After two previous extension requests were granted, the answer is now due today, May 12, 2008. The Commissioner is currently reconsidering his position in this case. Accordingly, I respectfully request that the time in which to answer or move with respect to the complaint be extended by thirty days, to June 11, 2008. Plaintiff has kindly consented to this request.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Respectfully,

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APPLICATION GRANTED  
SO ORDERED

John G. Koeltl, U.S.D.J.

5/12/08